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TO: ALL IDAHO HOSPITALS AND NURSING FACILITIES

FROM: DEBBY RANSOM, R.N., R.H.I.T., Chief

Bureau of Facility Standards

SUBJECT: RECALL OF SIEBE ACTUATORS

BUILDING FIRE/SMOKE DAMPERS

The enclosed CPSC Recall Alert was received from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS).

Whereas many hospitals and nursing facilities have fire/smoke dampers installed as part of the air handling systems, we are forwarding on a copy of the Recall Alert.

Please pass the information on to your Engineering Departments for their use.

To date, we have not received any official statement from CMS regarding expectations, if any, that may be required of a certified facility.

The Alert Bulletin provides specific information on the actuator(s) under recall and contact information regarding the recall.

Should you have any questions, please contact Roger Gehrke with the Bureau of Facility Standards at 208 / 334-6626.

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cc: Idaho Hospital Association

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